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TAGS: OREP (RYAN, LEO) GY
SUBJECT: SUGGESTIONS FOR RESPONSE TO SEN CHURCH'S QUEST
REF: DIEKEOS/BUSHNELL TELCON
1. FOLLOWING ARE EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS FOR RESPONSE TO QU
POSED TO DEPARTMENT BY SENATOR CHURCH.
2. "WHEN WAS MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FIRST REQUESTED FOR RYA
ABOUT 1630 HOURS LOCAL NOV 18. PILOT OF DISABLED AIRCRA
PORT KAITUMA, WHO WAS IN RADIO CONTACT WITH OUTSIDE AUT
SHORTLY AFTER GUNFIRE STOPPED NOV 18 WAS REQUESTED BY D
GEORGETOWN WHO ACCOMPANIED CODEL TO INSURE THAT FIRST A
PLANE INTO PORT KAITUMA CARRIED MEDICAL ASSISTANCE. AMB
STRESSED NEED MEDICAL HELP AS SOON AS NOTIFIED BY PRIME
AT 1900 HOURS
3. "WHY WAS NOT MEDICAL DROP MADE FOR RYAN PARTY?"
QUESTIONALBE IF GUYANESE AUTHORITIES HAVE CAPABILITY OF
EQUIPMENT DROP AT NIGHT; CERTAINLY THEY DO NOT HAVE CAPA
OF NIGHT DROP BY MEDICS OR PARAMEDICS. GUYANESE AUTHORIT
MAY ALSO HAVE FELT THAT TO HAVE MARKED OUT DROP ARE BY
SOME TYPE OF LIGHTS WITHOUT INSURING SECURITY OF AIRSTRI
MIGHT PROVE INVITATION TO PT ASSALANTS TO TRY AGAIN TO W
GROUP.
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4. "WHY WAS NOT HELICOPTER USED FOR NIGHT LANDING?"
GUYANESE GOVERNMENT HAD TWO HELICOPTERS AT ITS DISPOSITI
THEY DO NOT HAVE GEORGETOWN/PORT KAITUMA RANGE, AND IT WA
NECESSARY NEXT DAY FOR FUEL TO BE PREPOSITIONED INFLATABL
TANKS BY LARGER AIRCRAFT BEFORE GOG HELICOPTERS ABLE TO G
OUT OF PORT KAITUMA.
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